

John R. Kasich, Governor John Carey, Chancellor

REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION

ONE YEAR OPTION 900+ Clock Hour Programs – Radiological Technology

Background:

To provide another option for adult students to apply prior learning toward a degree, Ohio legislators established what has come to be known as the One-Year-Option through Section 363.120 House Bill 59 of the 130th General Assembly. The Chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education, in consultation with the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation, was tasked to establish a One-Year Option credit articulation system in which graduates of Ohio's adult career-technical institutions who complete a 900-hour program of study AND obtain an industry-recognized credential approved by the Chancellor will be able to receive 30 technical semester credit hours toward a technical degree upon enrollment in a public institution of higher education. The Chancellor was also to recommend a process to award proportional semester credit hours for adult career-technical institution students who complete a program of study between 600 and 899 hours AND obtain an industry-recognized credential approved by the Chancellor. The Chancellor convened a broad group of stakeholders to develop a system of articulation for the One Year Option that was presented in a report to the legislature called, "Getting to 30: Establishing a One Year Option Credit Articulation System for Ohio."

In order to implement the system of articulation developed with the stakeholders as well as address accreditation requirements for degree granting institutions, the Chancellor convened Credit Affirmation Teams (CATs) to conduct a peer review of programs and certifications for affirmation for a block of 30 semester hours of technical credit. The CATs were comprised of faculty and administrators from Ohio Technical Centers (OTCs) and an equal number from public degree granting colleges and universities in Ohio. The CATs were organized by four discipline clusters: Health and Allied Health, Building and Industrial Technology, Business and Information Technology, and Services. They were charged with reviewing the certifications and, if necessary, program content, to affirm that students completing the selected program at an Ohio Technical Center and earned approved certifications had demonstrated competencies equivalent to 30 semester hours of technical credit. This technical credit would then be granted, as a block, upon enrollment in a degree granting institution. Additional subject matter experts were consulted when core team members did not have sufficient content knowledge of the program being reviewed.

Recommendation

As detailed in the attached template, the Health and Allied Health Credit Affirmation Team recommends that students will be eligible for a block of 30 semester hours of technical credit towards an *Associate of Technical Studies in Health and Allied Health Technology* when:

• the student has successfully completed a 900+ clock hour program in Radiological at an Ohio Technical Center.

And currently holds the following credential:

State of Ohio Radiographer License

Please note this license must be current, valid, and in good standing.

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The Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs has verified that this pathway has met the standards and requirements of the Ohio Board of Regents.

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Stephanie Davidson, Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs

7/22/15

Date

APPROVAL

John Carey, Chancellor

7/30/15

Date

The Program Affirmation Template is designed to provide a common matrix for a peer review process acceptable to the Higher Learning Commission to soundly affirm award 30 semester hours of technical credit for Ohio Technical Center graduates who are eligible for the One Year Option. The template should be completed for every program/subject and signed by the co-chairs of each of the four cluster program areas for every Industry-recognized credential and program reviewed.

Please note: All Ohio Technical Centers must be accredited by one of the following: <u>Council on Occupational Education (COE)</u> and/or <u>Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges (ACCSC)</u>.

Program Name: Radiological Technology CIP Code: 51.0911	Cluster □ Business & Information Technologies ☑ Health/Allied Health □ Industrial Trades									
	☐ Service Industries & Agriculture									
	STEP ONE: CREDENTIAL REVIEW									
	Details/Explanation	Comments								
Primary Industry Credential (if there are competing certifications complete page multiple times)	Name: State of Ohio Radiographer License Type: ☑ License ☐ Registry ☐ Certification	See website found <u>here</u> for more information.								
Program requirements by credentialing body.	Information regarding eligibility requirements can be found here . There are three pathways to credentialing, each with different requirements. To be eligible to sit for the State of Ohio Radiographer license, students must meet requirements for one of the three pathways. Pathway 1: The applicant must be currently registered as a radiographer from the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT). Pathway 2: Hold a valid license certificate, or other credential issued by another state that is at least equal to the standards established by the Ohio radiologic license rules.	Any individual who performs radiologic procedures on humans must hold a valid Ohio radiologic license, according to the Ohio Revised Code 4773. Radiologic licenses are issued for the following categories: Radiographer, Nuclear Medicine Technologist, Radiation Therapist and General X-ray Machine Operator (GXMO). In order to be eligible for the One Year Option, an individual must hold a State of Ohio Radiographer License. The Radiologic Licensure program ensures standards of knowledge and skill for operators who apply radiation to humans for diagnostic or therapeutic purposes. Through continuous enforcement, initiative and action, the program assures medical								

	 Pathway 3: Eligible to take the state radiographer license examination by completing an accredited educational program. ** In order to meet the first or third licensure pathway, applicants must be a graduate from a recognized program, which is defined as: Graduates from a regionally accredited institution of higher education with an American Registry of Radiologic Technology (ARRT) approved program. Approval standards can be found here. Graduates from a Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) accredited program. Accreditation information can be found here. 	patients receive quality diagnostic imaging and services. Ohio Licensure Rules can be found here . Ohio licensure is valid for 2 years. Ohio requires the completion of 12 approved CEU's in a two-year time period in order to maintain licensure. Details may be found here . ARRT certification is valid for 2 years. AART requires the completion of 24 approved CEU's in a two year time period in order to maintain certification. Details may be found here .	
Hour Requirements (includes any instructional, lab/practice hours, or internship hours).	Competency based program with no minimum hours.	Currently, there is one program at Collins Career Center with 2,400 hours.	
Competencies demonstrated by credential attainment.	Detailed information regarding Clinical Competencies can be found here .		
Rationale:	 In order to be eligible for Ohio licensure, candidates must be a recent graduate of an ARRT approved or JRCCERT accredited Radiography program OR hold a current certification with ARRT. Other routes of eligibility for the Ohio Radiography licensure are equally stringent and described above. The AART exam is valid, reliable, and peer-reviewed regularly to ensure that the content accurately measures the intended competencies. The ARRT exam is administered by a secure, well-respected, third-party testing company (Pearson VUE) and is primarily delivered in computer-based format to increase security & better maintain up-to-date content delivery. 		

- 5) The competencies measured by the ARRT exam are a result of job-analysis studies and frequent peer-review and thus directly reflect the industry standards of the Rad Tech profession.
- 6) In order to maintain ARRT certification and Ohio Licensure, individuals must complete minimum CEU requirements.

Taking the reliability of the exam, rigor of the program, and the review of content, the Health Credit Affirmation Team believes that attaining the State of Ohio Radiographer license following completion of a 900+ hour Ohio Technical Center Radiologic Technology program to be equivalent to a block of 30 technical credits for the One-Year Option.

ONLY IF NECESSARY TO AFFIRM 30 CREDITS----STEP TWO: PROGRAM-RELATED COMPETENCIES OBTAINED OUTSIDE OF PRIMARY CREDENTIAL **Comments Details/Explanation** Additional related complementary credential(s) or badge(s) (e.g. OSHA 10, CPR). Competencies demonstrated by additional credential attainment. Description of additional program elements beyond primary credential. Program related competencies/learning outcomes outside of credential(s). Include how competencies are demonstrated.

Other Parameters of Competency.				
Related Programs as of	Ohio Technical Center	Program Name	Clock Hours	
Fall 2015:	Collins Career Center	Radiologic Technol	ogist 2400	
Committee Members:	Name	Role	Institution	
	Chad Brown	Co-Chair	Zane State College	
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	Deborah Neal	Member	Scioto County Career Technical Center	
	Jami Nininger	Member	Knox County Career Center	
	Kathy Wilcox	Member	Clark State Community College	
OTHER COMMENTS.				
AFFIRMED NUMBER OF TECHNICAL BLOCK CREDITS	30 semester hours		LENGTH OF TIME CREDENTIAL CAN USED FOR ONE-YEAR OPTION: Must completed a 900+ hour Radiological Technological Technological Technological Technological Center and hour of the Radiographer License that is current, we in good standing.	have ology old an
Co-chair signatures:	Chad Brown, Provost and Executive Vice President		dent Kelly Darney, Adult Education Director	
Date: 5/26/2015	Zane State C		Columbiana County Career & Technical Center	r